

# DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BUILDING CODE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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## CODE CHANGE PROPOSAL FORM

2003 ICC FAMILY OF CODES

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CODE	Existing Building Code	SECTION NO.	411	SUBCOMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO.	EX-4-6		
PROPOSING SUBCOMMITTEE	Ex.Struct	CHAIR	Stogis	PHONE	3016800864	E-mail	jfstogis@comcast.net
DATES: OF PROPOSAL	04/12/2005	BCAC PRESENTATION	04/20/2005	BCAC APPROVAL			

CHECK ONE ☐ *Revise section to read as follows:* ☐ *Delete section and substitute the following:*  
☒ *Add new section to read as follows:* ☐ *Delete section without substitution.*

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~~LINE THROUGH TEXT TO BE DELETED~~ (highlight text, under Format, click font and check strikethrough)

UNDERLINE TEXT TO BE ADDED

**411.2 Retroactive Requirements for Existing Elevators.** Existing elevators shall be made to comply with the applicable requirements stated below no later than three (3) years after the effective date of this code. The sections applicable to each type of elevator are as follows:

- Existing automatic elevators shall comply with sections 411.2.1 through 411.2.10.
- Existing manual / attendant operated elevators shall comply with Sections 411.2.3, 411.2.5 and 411.2.6. 411.2.7, 411.2.8, 411.2.9, and 411.2.10.
- Existing freight elevators shall comply with Section 411.2.3. 411.2.7, 411.2.8, and 411.2.9.

**411.2.1** ...

**411.2.4 Disabling of door reopening device.** Existing automatic elevators, which do not have emergency operations shall be provided with a means to render inoperative a door opening device affected by smoke or flame, and to close the doors after they have been open for 20 seconds.

Anticipated impact of code change on cost of construction (CHECK ONE)

☒ **Increase** ☐ **Decrease** ☐ **Negligible** ☐ **Unknown**

If "Increase" box was checked, indicate estimated range of added cost:

Per 1,000 SF single-family dwelling	\$		to	\$	
Per 1,000SF of commercial building	\$		to	\$	

### JUSTIFICATION OF CHANGE:

This known hazard has been identified by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers Elevator and Escalator Safety Code Committee as a hazard that needs to be corrected, and as such was included in the A17.1-2002 elevator and escalator safety code.

In the event of a fire, smoke and or heat would disable the door reopening device and stall the elevator at the fire floor, trapping passengers at a burning landing.

Estimated cost of approximately \$1,500.